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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Junaïd Akhtar et al.

Serial No: 10/034,574

Examiner: Melody M. Burch

Filed: December 27, 2001

Group Art Unit: 3683

For: Variable Rate Multi-Arc Composite  
Leaf Spring Assembly

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 CFR § 1.114)**

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Applicant requests continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.



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Respectfully submitted,

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